
FEBRUARY 2, 1821.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House, to which is committed the bill to continue in force an act regulating the currency of the gold coins of Great Britain, France, Portugal, and Spain, passed 29th April, 1816, so far as the same relates to the crowns and five franc pieces of France.

A BILL

To alter the relative value of the gold, compared with the silver coins, of the United States.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 *That the eagles hereafter to be coined at the Mint of the*
4 *United States shall contain two hundred and thirty-seven*
5 *grains, and ninety-eight hundredths of a grain of pure, or two*
6 *hundred and fifty-nine grains, and sixty-one hundredths of a*
7 *grain of standard gold; and the half eagles, and quarter eagles,*
8 *the same proportion of fine or standard gold. And the said*
9 *eagles, half eagles, and quarter eagles, so to be coined, being*
10 *of the weight aforesaid, shall, from and after the first day of*
11 *July next, pass, and be a legal tender, in the payment of all*
12 *debts and demands whatsoever, at the rate of ten dollars for*
13 *each eagle, and in that proportion for half and quarter eagles;*
14 *and, when of less than the weight aforesaid, being of the*
15 *standard fineness, in proportion to their weight.*